



TRADE GAP WIDENS IN JUNE 2004

Preliminary estimates of U.S. international trade in goods and services

The U.S. monthly goods and services deficit widened in June 2004, according to estimates released today by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau. The deficit increased \$8.9 billion from May to \$55.8 billion in June as imports increased and exports decreased.



Exports

Exports of goods and services decreased \$4.2 billion in June to \$92.8 billion, as a decrease in goods exports more than offset a small increase in services exports.

- The decrease in goods exports was largely attributable to decreases in *capital goods* and *industrial supplies and materials*.
- The increase in services exports was largely attributable to an increase in *travel*.

Imports

Imports of goods and services increased \$4.7 billion in June to \$148.6 billion, largely as a result of an increase in goods imports. Services imports increased a small amount.

- The increase in goods imports was more than accounted for by *industrial supplies and materials* and *capital goods*; *automotive vehicles, parts, and engines* decreased.
- Among services imports, the largest increases were in *other transportation* and *travel*.

Goods by geographic area (not seasonally adjusted)

- The goods deficit with China increased from \$12.1 billion in May to \$14.2 billion in June. Exports decreased \$0.2 billion to \$2.7 billion, while imports increased \$1.9 billion to \$16.9 billion.
- The goods deficit with the European Union (25) increased from \$7.9 billion in May to \$10.6 billion in June. Exports decreased \$1.2 billion to \$13.7 billion, while imports increased \$1.5 billion to \$24.3 billion.
- The goods deficit with Japan increased from \$5.5 billion in May to \$6.3 billion in June. Exports increased \$0.4 billion to \$4.7 billion, while imports increased \$1.1 billion to \$11.0 billion.

BEA's data—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic data for states, local areas, and industries—are available on its Web site: <www.bea.gov>.

NOTE: This and more information is provided in the August 13 press release issued by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services: June 2004. The next release is September 10, 2004.

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